had been prepared by the State Government in 1984. The Technical Advisory Committee of the Planning Commission considered the proposal in 1986 and advised its deferment till the satisfactory performance of the earlier approved scheme for the protection of Palashari Gumi area was established. Subsequently the Central Water Commission also advised the State Government in June, 1990 to arrange for the assessment of channel entry conditions, by the experts of the Central Water & Power Research Station, Pune.

Foreign Missionaries in India

2326. SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:

DR. A. K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign missionaries working in India at present, State-wise;

(b) the institutions and organisations with which each one of them is attached;

(c) the nature of control exercised by the Government on the activities of these missionaries and also in regard to receipt of money from foreign and its disposal; and

(d) the year upto which accounts of such money have been received by the Government and scrutinised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) According to the information available as on 1-1-1990, 2046 foreign missionaries were residing/working in India. The Statewise information is given in the enclosed statement.

(b) It is not practical to maintain this information as the missionaries are frequently required to change their locations and organisations keeping in view the needs from time to time. Similarly, the labour involved in collecting this information may not be commensurate with the results proposed to be achieved.

(c) The receipt and utilisation of foreign contribution by organisations are regulated by the Foreign Contribution (Regulations) Act, 1976. Under the provisions of the said Act, each organisation is required to send Foreign Contribution returns to this Ministry giving details of its receipt and utilisation. Action is taken under the provisions of the Act in case any violation is detected.

(d) The organisations have so far furnished returns of receipt of foreign contribution upto the year 1990. Accounts upto the year 1989 have been scrutinised.

STATEMENT

Statewise report of registered foreign Missionaries present in India as on 1-1-1990

	State/Union Territories	*Missionaries*
1	Assam	2
2	Andhra Pradesh	498
3	Bihar	199
4	Goa	14
5	Himachal Pradesh	16
6	Jammu & Kashmir	7
7	Karnataka	223
8	Kerala	38
9	Madhya Pradesh	95
10	Maharashra	13
11	Manipur	6
12	Mizoram	2
13	Nagaland	2
14	Orissa	45
15	Punjab	10
16	Rajasthan	17
17	Sikkim	3
18	Tamil Nadu	367

State/Union Territories		*Missionaries*
19	Uttar Pradesh . .	137
20	West Bengal . .	292
21	Chandigarh . .	4
22	Delhi . . .	35
23	Pondicherry . .	21
		2046

Model Farmer Scheme

2327. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have examined the model farmer scheme as suggested by Bhanu Pratap Singh Committee to transmit the latest research results to the farmers in most effective manner;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) the likely date by which the model farmer scheme is to be launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c) The model farmer scheme as suggested by the Bhanu Pratap Singh Committee, is under examination.

[*Translation*]

Environmentalists' agitation against Big Dams

2328. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI:
SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of environmental activists have been agitating against big dams such as Sardar Sarovar and Narmada Sagar Dams and are creating public opinion against those projects in foreign countries; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken to set at rest the controversy in regard to the big dams and to prevent the activists from seeking interference of foreign Governments in the internal affairs of the country?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Through technical publications, organisation of seminars/workshops and presentations through the media the appropriate relative roles of large dams as well as of the small dams in the development of the water resources of the different basins is being brought to the attention of the people. Our missions abroad and the concerned organisations within the country have been alerted against the activities of the foreigners or others that are likely to give scope to the undue interference of foreigners in our internal affairs.

Telephone connections in Madhya Pradesh

2329. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applicants on the waiting list for new telephone connections in Madhya Pradesh till July, 1991, district-wise;

(b) the number of telephone connections sanctioned during 1990-91; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting lists?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The latest available information (31-3-1991) is given in the attached Statement.